



City establishes web page

By Sandy Barnhart

Building a webpage for St. Francis on the internet was among the topics discussed at the July 6 St. Francis City Council meeting. Councilwoman Kay Shay told the council that Jenny Popp of Creative Designs and Website Solutions would be at the city office for two days establishing the founda-

tion of the web page.

The site will include all the basic structures that make up the community from services and organizations to churches, the Chamber of Commerce, city government and etc. Organizations and/or services wanting to be included on the web page should contact the city office.

Recycling center

Councilman Roger Jensen informed the council that Susan Hobrock was resigning from the Northwest Kansas Recycling Organization, and that the organization was looking for a replacement for the position from Cheyenne County. Councilman Jensen suggested possibly someone from

the Bird City area would be beneficial.

Cleanup

Dale Henderson was present to address the council on a recent letter he had received concerning junk vehicles parked at his residence at 801 S. River Street. Mr. Henderson explained that he was in the restoration business and most of the vehicles he was either

restoring or using for parts. The council agreed that the vehicles were parked in a row with the weeds mowed and acknowledged that a lot of the vehicles were antiques. They asked Mr. Henderson to continue to keep the grounds mowed and the vehicles that Mr. Henderson was not using to be moved out. See WEB PAGE on Page 7

Several races scheduled for the August primary

By Karen Krien

The primary election is just weeks away and it is time for concerned citizens and voters to be checking into the candidates up for election and see what issues and goals they have to offer the position.

The primary election is set from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Aug. 3 at several different polling places in the county including: the courthouse basement for those voting in Benkelman, Calhoun, Cleveland, Jaqua and Orlando townships; Bird City Legion Hall for those voting in Bird City Township; Peace Lutheran Church for Wano I Township voters; and United Methodist Church for Wano II Township voters.

However, advanced voting has started and those requesting advanced voting ballots may have already sent them in or they need to get them sent in on or before Aug. 3. Deb Lindsten, deputy clerk, reported that the voting booth will be set up and voters may cast an early ballot starting July 20. The booth is in the clerk's office in the northeast corner of the courthouse.

There are sample ballots in the clerk's office or people may go to the internet at www.cheyennecounty.org to check out the ballots.

Those running for offices

Those running for are: Federal offices United States Senate: Robert Conroy (D), Shawnee; Lee Jones

Changes come to 2004 election

The 2000 Presidential Election forced many changes to the election process.

"Thanks to Florida and their hanging, dimpled chads, voting will hopefully become standardized across America, or it is intended to, by the year 2006," said Terry Miller, Cheyenne County election officer "You'll notice some changes at the poll this year, but the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) is to be completely implemented by 2006."

The first major change at this year's primary election doesn't have anything to do with Help America Vote Act. Until this

year, Kansas had closed primaries, meaning if you weren't a Democrat or a Republican, you didn't vote. Now the Democratic primary will be open to Democrats and unaffiliated voters. The Republicans were going to open their primary to unaffiliated voters, but a lawsuit blocked that. What it all means is if the person is registered to vote as an unaffiliated voter, he or she may go to the polls on Aug. 3, and tell the election worker that they would like to vote the Democratic ballot and worker will hand the voter a ballot. See RACES on Page 7

(D), Lenexa; Samuel Brownback (R) Topeka; Arch Naramore (R) Lawrence.

United States House of Representative, 1st District: Jerry Moran (R), Hays; no Democrats are running.

State office

State Senate, 40th District; Tim Peterson (D), Monument; Ralph Ostmeier (R), Grinnell; Dan Rasure (R), Goodland.

State Representative, 120th District: Bob Strevey (D), Norcatour; John Faber (R), Atwood; Doug Sebelius (R), Norton.

District Court Judge District 15 Division 1: Glenn D. Schiffner (R), Colby.

District Court Judge District 15 Division 2: Jack Burr (R), See ELECTION on Page 7

Temporary, new licenses changing

By Karen Krien

As of July 16, those getting their driver's license renewed in the Cheyenne County Treasurer's office, will find their driver's license to have a new look. In fact, the first "temporary" license will be on a piece of heat sensitive paper.

The new equipment, authorized by the Legislature, was installed across the Kansas in state license offices and county treasurer's offices. The equipment was installed to make licenses more secure and harder to duplicate.

The temporary license will be printed out on a piece of heat-sensitive paper which cannot be laminated and is sensitive to the sun and excessive use.

"If left in the sun, the temporary license will soon be black and unreadable. If folded and used a lot, it will also become unreadable," said Dolores Jenik, county treasurer, adding that if it is lost, it will not be replaced.

Kansas is the first state to implement the new license cards and Colorado is working at it. However, there have been several cases where

the temporary license was not accepted. Because of the confusion, people are urged to carry their old driver's license until the new plastic card arrives.

Treasurer Jenik reminds people that they have up to a year before their license expires and if the driver want to avoid the confusion and temporary licenses, they can renew ahead of time.

It takes up to 60 days to get the new license which will also have a new look. The license will be placed horizontal instead of vertical like the old driver's license. It will also look like a plastic credit card instead of the old card which was laminated.

Security is the main reason the new card system was implemented. Treasurer Jenik said that when the person applies for the new card, all of the information is taken off the card and the necessary changes are made. With the new equipment, the person punches in his/her social security number (it is not revealed to the treasurer) and it is not allowed on the driver's license. The person then signs for the card. As the person applies See LICENSE on Page 7

Security numbers no longer be used

Effective July 1, individuals will no longer be able to use their Social Security number as their driver's license or Kansas identification number. However, those getting a license or identification number will be required to provide this number to the Kansas Department of Revenue for its records, but, it will not be shown anywhere on the actual license or identification card.

Dolores Jenik, county treasurer, said that if someone is now using their Social Security number as the

driver's license or identification card, it will be changed to a system-generated number the next time they make an application.

"These people will not be required to change the number until then," she said.

Also, as of July 1, the Kansas Department of Revenue can no longer accept Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers. As in the past, if the person does not have a Social Security number, they can sign an affidavit attesting to that.



2004 Thresher Queen

Thresher Queen's past told

The Tri-State Antique and Thresher Show will be held July 29 through Aug. 1 at the Thresher Show grounds east of Bird City. Throughout the four days, there will be many events including the threshing of wheat done the way the farmers threshed it in the "good ole days."

However, one of the main events is the announcing of the Thresher Queen on Thursday afternoon right after lunch. The Tri-State Antique Auto Club Queen will be crown on Friday.

This year's Thresher Queen was the first born of five children. She spent all of her childhood years and most of her adult years in Bird City. She attended school in Bird City and graduated from Bird City High School. All of her married life was spent with her husband and children in Bird City.

In her younger years, she helped See QUEEN on Page 7



RAISING MONEY CAN BE FUN! Terry Miller tucks a dollar bill in the garter of the unique lamp which will be used to raise money for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Walk. Look for the lamp in the courthouse and around town and donate so the lamp can be moved to another business. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Lamp created to raise funds for Relay for Life Walk

By Karen Krien

No! It's not a replay of the "The Christmas Story" movie! However, the idea probably generated from it.

The courthouse crew was looking for a way to raise money for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. So, they made and decorated a lamp (pictured). No! It doesn't light up! And, no, it's not the average lamp!

However, someone's business is going to get it unless they can give it away! (And the object is to get rid

of it by giving it away as quickly as possible.)

When a business receive the lamp, the staff will have the honor of displaying it for 24 hours. But, there are two options

1) To pass the lamp on to another business that they select from the list (please make a minimum donation of \$10). Call the appraiser's office (the 'brains' behind the lamp). An employee from that office will collect the donation and deliver to the business selected. Businesses only

need to participate once.

2) Now, if the staff falls in love with the lovely lamp, they may display it for more than 24 hours for a donation of only \$5 a day.

If the business happens to get the lamp on a weekend, the lamp will not cost additional money.

Look for this creative "work of art" in the different businesses when the courthouse decides to give it up. Also, don't forget a donation to go to the American Cancer Society.

Vehicle renewal notices to have a different look

This a world of constant change and the division of vehicles at the courthouse along with divisions across the nation are seeing a big change.

The Department of Revenue, Division of Vehicles has changed the form and process for reminding citizens to renew their vehicle registration. The new vehicle renewal notices will be used for the Aug. 31 expirations. If the person's last name starts with an M, N, or O, look for the new notice after July 15.

The old renewal notice was a pre-printed form and accommodated up to three vehicles. The new renewal notices will be printed on regular

paper and will accommodate up to five vehicles per page. The new notice will be mailed in a business-sized envelope.

"I am afraid people will see the envelope and not realize that this is their renewal notice," said Dolores Jenik, county treasurer, urging residents to take special notice of their mail, especially when they are expecting their renewal notices.

The new technology gave the Department of Revenue the ability to perform a better match of the vehicle owner name and address information. For example, if a vehicle is registered to Robert Smith and/or Barbara Smith and another vehicle is registered to

Barb Smith and/or Bob Smith, the matching software will "group" both vehicles on one notice.

Previously, two notices would have been produced and mailed. The ability to list more vehicles on the same renewal notice will reduce the amount of notices and postage used to remind Kansas's citizens to renew their vehicle registration. The new notices will now be printed in Kansas and not with an out-of-state vendor.

Joan Wagon, secretary of revenue, said, "We are pleased to take advantage of new technology that improves the product while making government work more efficient."

Missionary speaks about conflict, hope, terror in Israel

St. Franciscans were treated recently to an up-close tour of the conflict, hope and terror faced by Jews, Arabs and Americans on a daily basis in Israel. Cheryl Hancock, a full-time missionary in Israel and a member of the International Press Association, gave a first-hand account to a large group of this community that gathered at Koinonia Coffee House for supper that was followed by a multi-media presentation.



Hancock

Ms. Hancock revealed factual accounts of terrorist events ignored by our media. For example, she said that Arabs who are not anti-Jew and don't support terrorism sometimes discover a suicide-bombing plan and report it to Israeli police. If their identity is discovered by Arab terrorist groups like Hamas, Yassar Arafat's followers or radical Muslim clergy, they are classified as "collaborators" and have their pictures posted in Arab newspapers with permission for anyone to kill them on sight. Their family members are killed or tortured in retaliation for reporting a suicide bomber.

Ms. Hancock runs an organization called, "Love Without Borders"

that proclaims itself as "pro-Jesus" not pro-Jewish or pro-Arab. She has been threatened and attacked for being Christian and American. To Muslims, Christians and Americans are no better than pigs and deserve death. Hate is imbedded in Arab children's minds by Muslims. Recently a first-grade boy whose mother had converted to Christianity was held down at school by other boys and stabbed in the heart, killing him. There were no ramifications for the boys or their families. Converts from Islam are subject to violence regularly. Some people ask, "Why don't they leave the country?"

Ms. Hancock reminded us, "On one side is a cramped, suspicious Jewish state (Israel) and on the other are countries under Islamic rule. They have nowhere to go.

"Also, just because one person becomes a Christian doesn't mean the whole family converts too. Converts don't want to leave family behind. They know the cost of following Christ and take their chance of being persecuted or killed but they stay near their family and attend secret Christian meetings," she said.

"Love Without Borders" is the only Christian ministry in Jerusalem that also has an outreach to Bethlehem. They provide food and clothing to the needy and recently acquired a safe-house for Christian converts running from Muslims

hunting to kill them.

Bible-trained workers are few so Ms. Hancock finds herself discipling one or two Arab Christian men who in turn minister to others willing to hear the Gospel. She loves working with Jewish and Muslim women who are drawn to the God of love of the Bible since He is in stark contrast to Allah, the Muslim god, whose emphasis is hate and anger.

"We need Christian men working in our ministry. Arab men are hungry for real spiritual truth demonstrated by real men committed to spiritual truth we say is in the Bible. We need role model men to show these people that the way of Jesus is manly and freeing."

Ms. Hancock was asked to bring citizens a message from Arab-Christians so that it could be passed on to President Bush (they think we have easy access to him, she said):

"Please do not let the Palestinian Authority become a state. If that happens we will all be killed under Muslim law for being Christians."

Next month Ms. Hancock will be speaking to Congress and Senators in Washington, DC, to personally deliver that message and the Truth.

If you would like to know what you can do to help Ms. Hancock and "Love Without Borders" minister to Jews and Arabs in Israel, contact Pastor Rich Garcia at 332-3150 or at counselorrich@cs.com.



WEB SITE DESIGNED — Jenny Popp, Creative Designs and Website Solutions works on the city's new web site. Mary Lampe, city clerk, checks out how it is works.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

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Superintendent report
Superintendent J.R. Landenberger reported that the 12-cylinder engine's expansion fitting needed to be replaced at approximately \$350. The 9-cylinder engine's water pump had gone out and, in checking on the cost for repair men to come and fix the pump, found it would be around \$7,000. Superintendent Landen-

berger noted that after investigating the situation he felt the city crew could do the labor and send the pump in to be rebuilt at a cost of \$2,000. The council approved.

He also told the council that he and Attorney Mike Day would be attending a meeting in Hays with Kansas Municipal Energy Agency concerning the city's power contract.

Other business

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If the unaffiliated voter would rather vote as a Republican, they sure can do that, too.

"The only difference is you, the voter, will have to fill out a 'Change of Party Affiliation' card stating for that day, at least, you will be a Republican," Clerk Miller said. "You then will be handed a Republican ballot and can vote for the Republican candidates. You can fill out the exact same card the next day, or anytime thereafter, (at the clerk's office) and become unaffiliated again.

"Clear as mud? Don't worry. We'll help you out at the polls if you are an unaffiliated voter and have questions. You can always call the clerk's office as well," Clerk Miller said.

Biggest change

Officer Miller said probably the biggest change Help America Vote Act has produced this year is that the voter must show a form of identification before they vote if they are a "first time voter."

According to the Help America Vote Act, first time voters must provide identification to a county election official before receiving a ballot.

"You are considered a "first time voter" if you have never voted in Cheyenne County. If this is you, be prepared to show one of these forms of identification: a) A current and valid driver's license or non driver's identification card issued by the Kansas Division of Motor Vehicles; b) Current utility bill; c) Bank statement; d) Paycheck; e) Government check; f) Other government document showing the name and current address of the voter," Miller said.

The name and address on the above forms must match the voter's registration information. If the voter doesn't bring identification to the poll and are a first-time voter, he/she will still be allowed to vote a provisional ballot.

"You will then have until the canvass of votes, Friday, Aug. 6, to show identification. If you cannot provide the identification by that time, your vote will not count," Officer Miller

said. "If you have questions about whether you'll need to show identification at the polls, call the clerk's office (785-332-8800).

Those knowing they will need to show identification when they vote can also come to the clerk's office anytime before voting and provide identification and they won't have to show identification at the polls.

"This would speed up the process to vote, so you're welcome to come by the office and show us who you are," Officer Miller said.

Provision ballot

This year, those issued a provision ballot will be able to check with the clerk's office to see if their vote was counted or rejected.

"Before, you never knew if your vote was rejected or accepted," Officer Miller said. "You will be told the reason if it is rejected"

A provisional ballot is any ballot that is cast that may have questions regarding the voter's status. For example, if the address doesn't match what is registered at the clerk's office, they would be allowed to vote, but the ballot would go in a special envelope. Another envelope would explain the details of the discrepancy and the board of county commissioners, along with the county election officer/clerk would count or reject the ballot, depending on the situation, at the canvass of votes.

Polling places are accessible

The polling places are to be readily accessible to all voters.

The clerk's office had to complete an accessibility survey for each voting place. Many polling places have been closed throughout Kansas due to the cost involved in bringing these polls up to American Disability Act standards. Many precincts have been combined because of these poll closings.

"In Cheyenne County, we will be able to make due with our current polling places," Officer Miller said. "You may see some duct tape on doors or doors propped open, but don't be alarmed. We're just trying to be compliant at minimal costs.

Help America Vote Act also requires county election officers to train the election board workers. The clerk's office is getting all the training information ready and training will be shortly before the election date.

"If you are an election board worker, you'll be receiving a packet from the clerk's office with more details," he said.

Electronic voting

Help America Vote Act changes are to be completed by the year 2006 with small changes being made to the federal voting system until then. By the year 2006, each polling place in Cheyenne County will have an electronic voting unit but that's for another story! Those who would like to see samples of 2004 primary election ballots can go to <http://www.cheyennecounty.org> and click on the Election link. Sample ballots are also available at the clerk's office as well. Advance ballots can be mailed out on July 14 and advance voting in person will start in the clerk's office on July 20.

"Get out and vote, be it early or at the polls on Aug. 3," Miller said.

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Goodland.
District Magistrate Judge District 15 Position 1: Jolene Dodd (D), St. Francis; Robert Van Allen (R), Wheeler; William Fiedler Jr. (R), St. Francis.

County offices

Commissioner District 2: John L. Finley (R), St. Francis; Ray Lee (R), Wheeler; Ronald Loudon (R), St. Francis; Kelly Morris (R), St. Francis.
Commissioner District 3: Andy Beikman (R), St. Francis; Ron Krien

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care for her younger siblings. Being the oldest, she was her dad's "right-hand boy." If he needed help with anything, she was the strongest and most able to lend a hand. When the last two of her siblings were born, she then remembers helping her mother more. She'd stand on a chair to do laundry on the washboard and then use the wash water to scrub the outside down.

Living in a rural community, one starts early experiencing the days of harvest. From the time she was about 13 years old, she spent her summers with a local family, going home only on weekends when the family made their weekly trip to town. She remembers getting quite homesick but was so busy she didn't have a lot of time to think about it.

She spent her time caring for the family's children and helping with harvest meals. It's no wonder she turned out to be such a good cook; she started at an early age.

They would get up around 4 in the morning to start breakfast for a crew of about 15. Lunch would be taken out later in the day and then supper was

served in the house much later in the evening when the crews came in. It would be past midnight before they would get to bed.

She will never forget the Dust Bowl days. Her dad came to get her and her sister from school one day when it was a total blackout. She followed him home with her hands in his back pockets while he carried her sister. She's not sure to this day how they made it home.

Her grandchildren love hearing her memories of the jack rabbit hunts. When she was in junior high, they would turn school out so that the community could gather to hunt the many

In other business:

• Charlotte Linsner, Hays, representing the Northwest Kansas Family Shelter, ask the council to remember the Shelter when working on the city's budget. The council approved to budget the same amount, \$500, from the previous year.

• Mayor Scott Schultz told the council that a letter had been received from the Kansas Department Of Administration. The letter addressed the issue concerning the Social Rehabilitation Service outsourcing jobs out of the country. The letter states that Governor Sebelius has now signed into law a bill which will prohibit such contract from being outsourced to another country. In May the council had addressed the issue with a letter of concern to the department.

Pool report

Bruce Swihart, Pool Committee, updated the council concerning the pool. Mr. Swihart said that the heater was working again and asked for directions in setting up a method for those individuals wanting to donate tax-deductible dollars toward building a new pool. The council advised him to contact the bank or Attorney Day for directions.

Mr. Swihart noted that the floor in the bathroom was starting to peel.

Building permits

Building permits were approved for the following residents and businesses: Jack Rieb, change roof; Gene Voeller, erect fence; Amanda L'Heureux, erect fence; Dale Weeks, pour sidewalk; Peace Lutheran Church, trash can holding area; Jim Bolin, erect fence; Glorienne Milne, pour concrete.

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jack rabbits that were eating the crops. They would walk close together across the fields carrying clubs trying to corral the rabbits. Their efforts were usually very successful.

A highlight in her life was the day Charles Lindbergh returned from his trip across the pond. She recalls all the students from school going out to a nearby field and forming the word "Welcome" as he circled over them three times. It was a memorable day.

Have you guessed who the 2005 Thresher Queen is? If not, look for additional information in next week's *Bird City Times* and *The Saint Francis Herald*.

LICENSE

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other means the department has. If an applicant doesn't receive his/her license within 60 days, they need to call the nearest Division of Motor Vehicles office. While they could get lost in the mail which is highly impossible with governmental mail, the office needs to be contacted and, in this instance, if there are no other problems, a second temporary license will be issued.

For further information, talk to Treasurer Jenik at the treasurer's office in the courthouse.

43rd Annual "Critters, Squeals & Ferris Wheels" Logan County Fair

July 20-24 in Oakley, KS

Tuesday, July 20

6:00 p.m. 4-H Public Style Revue & 4-H Foods Auction Sale
7:30 Christian Concert - Free

Wednesday, July 21

7:30 p.m. Free Family Night of Games

Thursday, July 22

7:00 p.m. Cookie Baking Contest
7:30 KPRa Rodeo

Friday, July 23

5:00 p.m. 4-H Livestock Auction
7:30 Demolition Derby

Saturday, July 24

7:30 a.m. Old Settler's Breakfast @ School Cafeteria
10:00 Parade down Center Avenue
4:00 p.m. Kids Peddle Tractor Pull
5:00 Free Barbecue in Annie Oakley Park
7:00 Truck & Tractor Pull

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